

OUR MISSION

The L.A. Opportunity Youth Collaborative (OYC) connects transition-age foster youth (TAY) to education and employment by leveraging the collective power of public agencies, non-profit organizations, educational systems and employers.

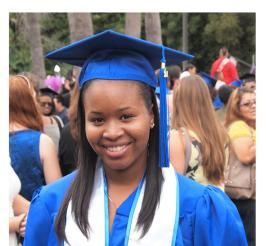


HOW IT WORKS

Together we empower TAY to achieve their high school, college, and career goals by developing creative solutions, removing barriers to success, and building bridges across siloed systems.









PARTNERS

Government Agencies | Advocacy and Community-Based Organizations | Workforce Centers | School Districts | Higher Education | Philanthropists | Advisors



























































































CONNECTED COMMUNITY

The OYC is committed to sharing resources and data, learning from one another, and creating common goals.



100K Opportunities



Young Leaders



Quarterly Convenings



Quarterly Updates



Digital Resource Guide



Partnership Pilot (P3) Engagement



for 800 TAY

"The OYC unites the many and varied voices working to support our young people transitioning from foster care. Their collective power to affect change cannot be underestimated."

CONGRESSWOMAN KAREN BASS



CAREER PATHS

In partnership with iFoster, the Career Program provides job training and a continuum of support to connect TAY with major employers.









- 127 youth served and 77 hired
- 23 referring agencies
- TAY specific curriculum & L.A Chamber's WRC assessments
- 3 units of college credit

3rd Cohort scheduled for May 2016















WHAT'S NEXT

Expansion of Career Paths

- More employers
- Quarterly trainings
- Additional training locations
- GOAL: 250 TAY on career path by end of 2016



EDUCATION PATHS



High School and Higher Ed

- Link out-of-school TAY to paths to complete high school
- Develop strategies to improve college readiness and increase college enrollment in academic and vocational programs



CONTINUUM OF CARE



Key Partners/Navigators Support and Track Data for 800 TAY

- Identifying and sharing resources for youth
- Providing a continuum of care
- Measuring collective impact
- Assessing systemic shift



SYSTEM-WIDE CHANGE



Removing Barriers to Success



- Leverage the Performance Partnership Pilot (P3) to waive the "out of school" requirement for foster youth
- Push for tax incentives for employers hiring TAY
- Prioritize TAY for county jobs





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